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# Dedication

We dedicate this 1955 issue of the Herald to the 1954-1955 Windsor Locks High School Basketball team and their coach, Mr. Elias Shapiro, who were champions of the Central Valley "C" League, and who were runners-up in the State Class "C" Championship.

# Appreciation

In appreciation to Miss Smith, the Faculty, Mr. Jackson, and the Advertisers who have helped make this publication a success.

# The Class of 1955



#### GLORIA MARIE BECKER "BECKY"

General Course; Press Club '52, '53, '54; Glee Club '52, '53; Refreshment Committee for Junior Prom '54; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; A. A. Representative '55; Annual Food Sale Committee '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Candy Committee for Class Play '55; Make-up Committee for Class Play '55; Properties Committee for Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Faith is the force of life"



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General Course; Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Press Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Junior Prom Decoration Committee '54; Thanksgiving Program '52, '53, '54, '55; Christmas Program '52, '53, '54, '55; Magazine Sale '55; Advertising Committee for Senior Play '55; Library Club '54, '55; Business Manager for Press Club '54, '55; Senior Food Sale '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Friendship and sincerity are the wine of life,"



#### MARGARET ELIZABETH CARNIGLIA

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Commercial Course; Cheerleader '53, '54; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Senior Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Magazine Sale '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate of Achievement '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Class Play '55; Press Club '54; Library Club '55; Senior Food Sale '55; Advertising Committee for Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Happiness is a rare Cosmetic."



#### PETER MICHAEL CARNIGLIA

"PETE"

General Course; Magazine Sale '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Advertising Committee for Herald '54; Advertising Committee for Class Play '55; Properties Committee for Class Play '55; Stage Committee for class Play '55; Captain of Blue Team in Magazine Sale '55; Baseball '54; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Annual Senior Food Sale '55; Boys' Glee Club '52; Class Night Exercises '55; Clean-up Committee for Junior Prom.

"Manners often make fortunes."



#### JOAN FRANCES CASINGHINO

"JOAN"

General Course; Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Press Club '53, '54, '55; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Driver Education '54; Magazine Sale '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Annual Food Sale '55; Senior Class Play '55; Pep Squad '54; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Good humor is always a success."



### ARTHUR PAUL CHRISTIAN

"CHUBBY"

General Course; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Nutmeg Boys' State Representative '54; Basketball '52, '53, '54, '55; Vice-President '52, '53; Glee Club '52, '53, '55; Magazine Sale '55; Stage Committee for Senior Class Play '55; Athletic Association Representa-tive '54; Band '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Ambition is the desire of greatness."



#### MARALYN AMELIA CIPARELLI

"CHIP"

Commercial Course; Glee Club '52; Press Club '52, '53; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Usherette for Class Night '54; Usherette for Graduation '54; Bookkeeping Certificate of Achievement '54; Driver Education '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate of Achievement '55; Make-up Committee for Class Play '55; Annual Food Sale Committee '55; Motto Committee for Senior Class '55; Library Club '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Good humor makes all things tolerable."



#### WILLIAM JOHN CIULEWICZ

"BLINKY"

General Course; Basketball '52, '53; Athletic Association Representative '53; Glee Club '52; Stage Committee for Senior Class Play '55; Magazine Sale '55; Class Night Evercises '55.
"Error is the sequence of haste."



#### DANIEL ANTHONY COLONE

"BELLS"

General Course; Boys' Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Band '52, '53; Senior Class Play '55; Magazine Sale '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Annual Food Sale Committee '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Energy and persistence conquer all things."



#### THERESA MARY COURTNEY

"THERESA"

General Course; Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Press Club '52; Junior Prom Decoration Committee '54; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Annual Food Sale '55; New York Trip for Magazine Sale Winners '55; Magazine Salesmanship Award '55; Class Night Exercises.

"A light heart lives long."



#### GLORIA MAY CRANE

"GLORIA"

General Course; Driver Education Course '54; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Library Club '53, '54; Magazine Sale '54; Food Sale Committee '55; Usherette for Senior Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Cheerful company shortens the miles."



#### ARTHUR GREGORY DOBOSZ

"ART"

General Course; Glee Club '52, '53, '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate of Achievement '55; Magazine Sale '55; Stage Committee for Senior Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"How sweet and sacred idleness is."



#### JANE ANN DOWNES

"JANE"

General Course; Press Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Class Editor of Herald '53, '54. Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Budget Committee '55; Driver Education '54; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Senior Food Sale '55; Class Play '55; Ticket Committee for Class Play '55; Magazine Salesmanship Award '55; Thanksgiving Assembly '55; Christmas Assembly '55; School Editor of Herald '55; Pep Squad '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Smiles are the language of love."



#### MARGARET MARY DRISCOLL

"MAGGIE"

General Course; Library Club '52, '53; Press Club '52, '53, '55; Athletic Association Representative '54; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Clean-up Committee for Junior Prom '54; Magazine Sale '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Chairman of Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Chairman of Election Day Luncheon Sale Committee '55; Chairman of Annual Senior Food Sale Committee '55; Part in Class Play '55; Pep Squad '54; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Innocence - Yes? No!"



#### JOAN LOUISE ENGLISH

"JAY"

General Course; Glee Club '52, '53; Orchestra '53, '54; Press Club '53; Library Club '54; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Refreshment Committee for Junior Prom '54; Magazine Salesmanship Award '55; Ticket Committee for Senior Play '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Class Play '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Clean-up Committee '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Politeness is to goodness what words are to thoughts."

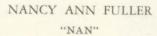


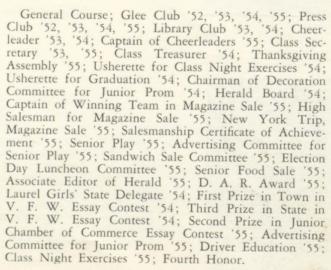
#### ROBERT ENGLISH

"BOB"

College Course; Baseball '52, '53, '55; Orchestra '52; Stage Committee for Senior Play '55; Class Night Exercises

"Silence is more eloquent than words."





"Life without laughing is a dreary blank."





#### CHESTER STEPHEN GRABIEC

"CHET"

General Course; Basketball '53; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Publicity Committee for Junior Prom '54; Boys' Glee Club '52, '53, '54; Entertainment Committee for Magazine Sale Skit '55; Magazine Sale Certificate '55; Ticket Committee for Class Play '55; Properties Committee for Class Play '55; Advertising Committee for Food Sale '55; Advertising Committee for Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Class Night Exercises.

"All great men are partially inspired."



#### RODERICK LEE GREENE

"ROD"

General Course; Basketball '52, '53, '54, '55; Baseball '52, '53, '55; Football '53, '54; Magazine Sale '55; Stage Committee for Senior Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Speech is great, but silence is greater."



#### THOMAS WILLIAM JOHNSON, JR.

"T. J."

College Course; President '52, '54; Student Council '52; Torch Club '52; Boys' State Representative '54; Usher for Class Night '54; Usher for Graduation '54; A. A. Representative '55; Basketball '52, '53, '54, '55; Baseball '52, '53, '54, '55; Junior Prom Refreshment Committee '54; Magazine Sale '55; Stage Committee for Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55, Thanksgiving Assembly.

"A modest man never talks of himself."



#### ANN MARIE KENNEDY

"NAN"

Commercial Course; Glee Club '51, '52; Press Club '53, '54, '55; Library Club '53; Driver Education '55; Decorating Committee for Junior Prom '54; Senior Class Play '55; Class Motto Committee '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale Committee '55; Typing Award Certificate '54; Annual Senior Food Sale '55; Pep Squad '54; Magazine Sale Campaign '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Magazine Sale Achievement Certificate '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Gaiety is the soul's health; sadness its poison."



#### DORIS FRANCES LANATI

"DO"

Commercial Course; Class Treasurer '52; Glee Club '52, '53; Press Club '53, '54, '55; Alternate Cheerleader '53; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Chairman of Gift Committee for Junior Prom '54; Typing Certificate of Achievement '54; Magazine Sale '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Advertisement Committee '55; Senior Food Sale '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Usherette for Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"A good heart is worth gold."

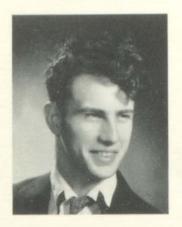


#### PAUL DRAKE LODOLA

"PAUL"

College Course; Property Committee for Senior Play '55; Magazine Sale '55; Food Sale '55; Driver Education '54; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Faith flourishes in solitude."



### JAMES THOMAS LOWNDS

"TURK"

General Course; Baseball Team '52; School Band '52, '53, '54, '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Character makes its own destiny."



#### MARGARET ANNE MAYOROS

"PEGGY"

General Course; Library Club '53, '54, '55; Glee Club '54, '55; Usherette for Class Night '54; Usherette for Graduation '54; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Driver Education '54; Press Club '55; Magazine Salesmanship Award '55; Magazine Sale Trip to New York '55; Secretary of Glee Club '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Secretary of Senior Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Senior Class Play '55; Treasurer of Food Sale '55; Christmas Assembly '55; Associate Editor of Herald '55; Class Night Exercises '55; Third Honor.

"The principal part of faith is patience."



#### RENA RITA PIAGGI

"RENA"

Commercial Course; Class Editor of Herald '53, '55; Christmas Assembly '53, '54, '55; Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Thanksgiving Assembly '53, '54, '55; Press Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Chairman of Refreshment Committee for Junior Prom '54; Ticket Committee for Junior Prom '54; Magazine Sale Campaign '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Budget Committee '55; Annual Senior Food Sale '55; Entertainment for Graduation Exercises '55; Part in Class Play '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Driver Education '54; Class Night Exercises '55.

"It is a friendly heart that has plenty of friends."



#### RONALD HENRY POMEROY

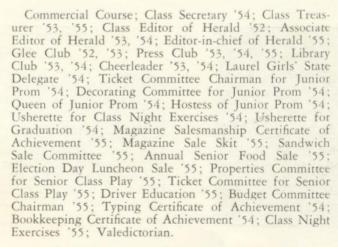
"RIT"

General Course; Basketball '52, '53, '54; Baseball '52; Ticket Committee for Junior Prom '54; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Host of Junior Prom '54; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Athletic Association Representative '54; Magazine Sale '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Properties Committee for Senior Class Play '55; Ticket Committee for Senior Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"To a young heart everything if fun."



"ANN"



"Happiness is not perfected until it is shared."



#### LOUIS JOSEPH ROSSI

"MOOSE"

General Course; Basketball '51, '52, '53, '54; Baseball '51, '52, '53, '54; Basketball and Baseball Trainer '55; Athletic Association Representative '52, '53, '54, '55; Class President '51; Class Vice-President '54, '55; Band '52, '53; Christmas Assembly '55; Glee Club '51, '52, '53, '54; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Clean-up Committee '54; Custodian '53, '54, '55; Cafeteria Employee '55; Usher for Class Night Exercises '54; Herald Board '52, '53; Herald Business Committee '54; Cake Sale '55; Magazine Sale Certificate of Achievement '55; Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"The way to gain a friend is to be one."





#### ROBERT FRANCIS SALVATO

"EDGAR"

General Course; Art Editor of the Wilohi '53, '54, '55; Boys' Glee Club '54, '55; High School Band '55; Driver Education '54; Advertising Committee for Junior Prom '54; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate of Achievement '55; Magazine Sale '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Stage Manager of Class Play '55; Senior Food Sale '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Kindness, like grain, increases by sowing."



#### JEAN LUCILLE SAMPLATSKY

"JEANIE"

Commercial Course; Glee Club '52, '53, '55; Press Club '53, '54, '55; Junior Prom Refreshment Committee '54; Driver Education '54; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Pep Squad '55; Magazine Sale '55; Prompter for Class Play '55; Ticket Committee for Class Play '55; Parade of Youth Reporter '55; Magazine Salesmanship Award '55; Motto Committee '55; Typing Award '54; Class Night Exercises '54.

"The badge of honesty is simplicity."



# WESSON PHINEAS SARGENT "WES"

College Course; Basketball Manager '52, '53, '54, '55; Baseball Manager '52, '53, '54, '55; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Usher Class Night Exercises '54; Usher Graduation Exercises '54; Herald Business Board '54; Harvard Book Award '54; Nutmeg Boys' State Representative '54; Wilohi Sports Editor '54, '55; Senior Class President '55; General Manager of Senior Class Magazine Sale Campaign '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Class Play '55; Athletic Association Representative '55; Budget Committee '55; Herald Sports Editor '55; Projectionist '53, '54, '55; Class Night Exercises '55; Election Day Luncheon Committee '55; Senior Class Play Business Manager '55, Salutatorian '55.

"The surest way not to fail is to determine to succeed."



#### SETH LOUIS SHARP

"JOE"

General Course; Basketball '52, '53, '54, '55; Baseball '52; Magazine Sale '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Band '53; Athletic Association Representative '53; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Youth comes but once in a lifetime."



#### PATRICIA ANN SILK

"PAT"

General Course; Press Club '52, '53, '54; Glee Club '52; Junior Prom Ticket Committee '54; Junior Prom Decoration Committee '54; Magazine Salesmanship Award '55; Food Sale Committee '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Senior Class Play '55; Senior Class Play Ticket Committee '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"It is tranquil people who accomplish much."



### THOMAS WALTER SZEPANSKI

"TOMMY"

General Course; Boys' Glee Club '52, '53; Magazine Sale '55; Second Highest Salesman in Magazine Sale '55; Typing Certificate of Achievement '54; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Assistant Editor in Press Club '54; Editor in Press Club '55; Senior Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"There is no outward sign of courtesy that does not rest in deep moral foundation."



# MARY FRANCES ULITSCH "MARY"

Commercial Course; Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Press Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Magazine Sale Skit '55; Magazine Sale '55; Driver Education Course '54; Annual Food Sale '55; Refreshment Committee for Junior Prom '54; Senior Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"A good laugh is sunshine in a house."



# RUTH JULIA VAITUKAITIS "RUTHIE"

Commercial Course; Glee Club '52, '53, '54; Press Club '53, '54; Driver Education Course '54; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Annual Food Sale '55; Usherette Class Play '55; Advertisement Committee for Class Play '55; Magazine Sale

Annual Food Sale '55; Usherette Class Play '55; Advertisement Committee for Class Play '55; Magazine Sale Trip to New York '55; Magazine Salesmanship Certificate '55; Library Club '54; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Friendship is infinitely better than kindness."



#### JOAN MARTHA WALTERS

"JOANIE"

Commercial Course; Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Band '53; Decoration Committee for Junior Prom '54; Typing Certificate of Achievement '54; Ticket Committee for Senior Class Play '55; Candy Committee for Senior Class Play '55; Senior Class Motto Committee '55; Pep Squad '54, '55; Press Club '55; Salesmanship

Certificate of Achievement '55; Class Night Exercises '55. "The truest politeness comes of sincerity."



#### EDWARD LUCAS YOUNG

"EDDIE"

General Course; Class President '52, '53; Basketball '52, '53; Band '53, '54, '55; Glee Club '53, '54, '55; Orchestra Committee for Junior Prom '54; Entertainment for Senior Play '54; Senior Magazine Sales Campaign '55; Senior Class Play '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Humor is the harmony of the heart."



#### BARBARA ANN ZITKA

"BARB"

Commercial Course; Glee Club '52, '53, '54, '55; Press Club '52, '53, '55; Refreshment Committee for Junior Prom '54; Typing Certificate of Achievement '54; Bookkeeping Certificate of Achievement '54; Salesmanship Award '55; Sandwich Sale Committee '55; Election Day Luncheon Sale '55; Usherette for Class Play '55; Candy Committee '55; Class Night Exercises '55.

"Virtue is the beauty of the soul."

### EDITORIALS

This June, Windsor Locks High School has a number of young men and women graduating and going out into the world. Some will go on to school and others will go into business or industry. But those who do not continue their schooling will, by no means, be ending their education. Schooling is the length of time spent in an institution of learning. Nevertheless a person who has never been to school in his life may be well educated. This fact is proved in the cases of two of America's greatest men, Benjamin Franklin and Abraham Lincoln, who although they had little schooling, were fine examples of self-educated men.

Since Franklin and Lincoln educated themselves, many people do not see why others cannot do the same. These unusual men, however, worked long hours and then came home at night to study alone by dim candlelight and worry about the problems which they did not understand.

The advantages of schooling over self-education are many and very important. Not only does the modern school give one a basic education, but it also has many other advantages. In the schools of today, the teachers and advisors are not there only to teach reading, writing and arithmetic, but also to help the student to meet other people and to find his place in the world community and to adjust himself to it. Many modern schools have faculty advisors to help students find what they are best suited for, and the smaller schools that cannot furnish advisors have a supply of literature on almost any job or college a student might be interested in.

After high school, education continues all through a person's life. One who is truly ambitious and wants to get ahead in the world must realize that in order to get the job he wants, he will have to compete with, and win over someone else who may want the job or position equally as much. The sooner one realizes the fact that although he has had better schooling than his competitor, he may not be better educated, the more successful he will be in this highly competitive world.

A modern college or university has much to offer a student who wants to climb the ladder of success. Of course he would learn more than in high school but perhaps almost as important, he will be better adjusted to the world and the kinds of people in it, since he will be much more poised and he will have the most valuable thing in the world, education. It is true that education is something that no one can ever take from you once you have it. The enemies of democracy thrive on the ignorance of the masses. Therefore it should be the aim of every lover of Democracy to try to raise the educational standards of his country. Well-educated people are not likely to fall prey to the fancy claims of powers thriving on ignorance.

#### JUNE, A TURNING POINT

This June marks a beginning and an ending; that is, it marks the beginning of summer and the ending of winter and the school year. Studies seem to be forgotten as the summer vacation begins. Although there are swimming parties, picnics, and many other activities planned for the coming months, teen-agers seem to be looking for summer jobs.

June also brings serious thoughts to our minds. It is a time of reckoning for all under-graduates and a time for them to think more seriously about the future. In fact, we should stop and look back to see ways in which we can improve ourselves in the following year, for each one of us is brought a step nearer to the time when he will graduate.

Our present high school building will probably see its last graduating class this June. In the fall we shall be moving to a larger high school building and there will probably be a larger enrollment. Our old school will not be forgotten, however, for it will have a new and very important purpose. It will become a part of the grammar school.

Furthermore, June can be considered a turning point, since it marks the mid-way point of the year. But still more important than that, it marks a turning point in the lives of this year's graduating class. For them the summer is not merely a three months' vacation until they can return to Windsor Locks High. If they obtain a job, it is not likely to be for the summer only. Many of them will be going to college to further their education. Eventually they will choose many different occupations, and I am sure each one of them will do his best in whatever road of life he takes. The rest of us who watch them leave, certainly wish them the best of luck and success in the years to come.

MARY CORROW '57

#### SENIOR CLASS NEWS

President	WESSON SARGENT
Vice-President	Louis Rossi
Secretary	Nancy Fuller
Treasurer	ANN RACCONE

In September, forty members were enrolled in the Senior Class.

A magazine campaign was conducted by the Seniors through the Curtis Publishing Company. Two teams were organized, the Red and the Blue. The Red team came out victorious. The Seniors of '55 brought in more subscriptions than any other class since the beginning of the campaign. The losing team entertained the winners with a skit, and the Juniors and Faculty, who were our guests, had a most enjoyable time. Nancy Fuller, the highest salesman, chose the radio as her prize. Thomas Szepanski, the second highest salesman, chose a phonograph. Gloria Becker, third highest salesman, chose a camera set and Peter Carniglia, fourth highest salesman, chose a pen and pencil set.

Loring Studio was engaged this year to take the class pictures.

Blue and white were chosen for the caps and gowns as well as for the class colors.

During the year, meetings were held to organize various committees to sell refreshments during the voting hours, at recesses once a week, and for the big Senior Food Sale to help pay the class trip expenses. These sales proved to be very profitable.

On April 14, the Senior Class held their annual play, "Men Are like Street Cars", a three-act comedy.

Preparations for Class Night and Graduation will soon be under way, and we wish to thank everyone who helped make our Senior year a financial success.

RENA PIAGGI '55

#### JUNIOR CLASS NEWS

President	JOSEPH RACCONE
Vice-President	ROBERT GILLIGAN
Secretary	ELEANOR BARBIERI
Treasurer	Maureen Procopio

The first class meeting was held to elect officers for the year.

On October 1, 1954, the class voted on their ring. The style chosen was the "Blue Ribbon."

The Athletic Association Representatives were elected on November 3. Those elected for the position were Gloria Favata, William Francis, and Robert Gilligan.

On February 14, 1955, a meeting was held to decide on arrangements for the prom. The following committees and their chairmen are thus: Decorating: chairman, James Lownds; Publicity: chairman, Madelyn Bollea; Refreshments: chairman, Judy Parmelee; Gift: chairman; Virginia Marcotti; Orchestra: chairman, Robert Gilligan; Cleanup: chairman, Arthur Pfeiffer.

The decoration committee decided the theme of the prom would be a cruise to the South Sea Islands, and named it "An Evening On The Islands."

The prom was held on May 20, 1955. Joseph Racone was host and Rose Bouchard was hostess.

On February 22, 1955, a meeting was held to elect a class reporter for the Herald. Madelyn Bollea was elected.

MADELYN BOLLEA '56

#### SOPHOMORE CLASS NEWS

President	RAYMOND MARCONI
Vice-President	CHARLES SIMONETTA
Secretary	ROBERTA QUAGLIAROLI
Treasurer	MOYRA McGladrigan

The first meeting of the Sophomore Class was held October 6, at three o'clock. The above officers were elected. Dues were set at a dollar per month. A Ways and Means Committee was formed, consisting of Elizabeth Anderson as chairman, Mary Lou Corrow, James Fitzpatrick, Joyce Micha and Robert Oliva.

The second meeting took place on November 3. Raymond Marconi and Russell Jubrey were elected for the Athletic Association Representatives.

The Ways and Means Committee on November 11 decided upon a Christmas Hop for December 17.

The third meeting took place on January 20 at three o'clock. A class project of selling sweatshirts, emblems and beanies was decided upon. A committee consisting of Raymond Marconi, Robert Oliva, Roberta Quagliaroli and Moyra McGladrigan was selected. The class profit was made.

The last meeting was held on February 8, at 9:15 A.M. Jettie Mae Moorefield was elected Class Editor for "The Herald." James Whitton was elected to the Ways and Means Committee.

#### FRESHMAN CLASS NEWS

President		
Vice-President	ROBERT LE	
Secretary	Rose Krupka	
Treasurer	CAROLYN KULAS	

The first meeting held by the Freshman Class was to nominate candidates for president.

At the second class meeting, the president was elected and also the vice-president. Herbert Steiger was chosen as the A. A. representative.

The third class meeting was held to elect the secretary and treasurer. At this meeting the amount of the dues was selected by the class for their present school term.

A fourth meeting was called to decide what kind of gift should be sent to David Alfano, who was hospitalized after he had been struck by an automobile.

At the fifth class meeting, it was decided that the Freshman Class give a dance to raise money for the class treasury. The dance was held February 19, 1955. At the same meeting Judith Vaitukaitis was elected to the Herald Board.

The Freshmen who are on the Wilohi staff are Florence Seaha, Ramon Lecour and Arthur Nigro.

JUDITH VAITUKAITIS '58

# SCHOOL NEWS

In September 1954, the total registration at Windsor Locks High was 203 students. The classes numbered Seniors 39; Juniors 42; Sophomores 40; and Freshmen 82.

The Senior Class started the year off by selling more magazines than any other class.

The Freshman class gave a dance, February 19. The Sophomores sold emblems, beanies and sweat shirts. Both classes made a profit which added to their treasury.

On March 30, a Career Day was held for the first time at Windsor Locks with the following speakers:

- (1) Secretarial Work-Michael C. Cordera
- (2) Nursing-Miss Constance Drum and Miss Jane Carroll
- (3) College—Reuben Johnson
- (4) Industry—Arthur J. Fehlber
- (5) Trade School-C. F. Greco

On April 4, the Seniors held a food sale which netted a sizable profit. In the same month the class play, "Men Are Like Street Cars", was held which also made a profit.

"An Evening On The Islands" was the theme of the Junior Prom which was very successful.

JANE ANN DOWNES '55

## SPORTS NEWS

#### BASKETBALL

The 1954-1955 Windsor Locks High School Basketball Team, also known as "The Raiders", deserves all the praise and honor this article can afford. Their splendid record has been unequalled in Windsor Locks history. Coached by former Athletic Director Elias Shapiro, now vice-principal, the boys tallied a nineteen and one record for the season. After winning the Central Valley C League with an undefeated sixteen game record, they went on to defeat Valley Regional, Putnam and Stafford in the tournaments held at New Britain State Teachers' College and the University of Connecticut. In the decisive battle with Ellsworth for the State Class C Championship, The Raiders put up a gallant fight, but because their ranks had been wracked and depleted by the illness of three of the five starters, the team went down to defeat.

Although they failed to capture the coveted state championship, the team closed the seaon with a trail of broken records behind them. On December 7, The Raiders

scored the greatest number of points ever scored in a single game by a Windsor Locks Team when they defeated Bacon Academy 93 to 31. In the Bloomfield away game on February 1, Rod Green, speedy senior transfer from Lebanon, New Hampshire, shattered the individual one game scoring record by tallying 43 points during the game.

For the entire season, the team scored a total of 1293 points and shot a 65.56 percent free throw average, breaking all previous records. Rod Green came out on top of the season's total scoring column by hooping 353 points. Following Rod was the sophomore sensation, Rus Jubrey with 294; Art Pfeiffer, lofty center, with 207; sharp-shooting senior, Tom Johnson with 156; Seth Sharp, the team's prize defender with 91; Art Christian with 75, Richard Brown with 33, Charles Simonetta with 32, Bill Sidway with 28, Charles Sidway with 13, Ray Marconi with 9 and Bill Wegrzyniak with 2.

On March 26, the newly formed Windsor Locks Athletic Association gave the team, the managers and the cheerleaders a well-deserved testimonial dinner. The twelve varsity players and senior manager Wesson Sargent were presented with beautiful maroon jackets with leather sleeves and a basketball emblem on the front, entitled "Windsor Locks '54-'55 Champs." Also presented to the team and the three managers, Wes Sargent, Bill Gifford and Bob Oliva, were the individual runner-up trophies of black onyx topped with the chrome-plated figure of a basketball player in a crouched position. Principal speaker was Jimmy Cunavelis, sports editor for the Hartford Courant, who congratulated the team on its fine record. The next day, March 27, it was announced that Rus Jubrey and Rod Green had been named to the second string of the All-Tournament team, an honor well deserved.

The Junior Varsity, manned by some second string varsity players plus Jim Fitz-patrick, Anthony LaRussa, Robert Lee, Edward Courtney, Gary Casey, Herbert Steiger, Robert Zace, and Brad Booth came through their sixteen preliminary games with an impressive 14 and 2 record. The experience gained in these games will undoubtedly be used to varsity advantage next year.

The cheerleaders, Nancy Fuller, Janice Lascell, Eleanor Alberici, Madalyn Bollea, Barbara Phillips, Judy Parmalee, Eleanor Barberi, Gloria Lefemine and substitute Marie Manella, directed by Mrs. Dowd, kept spirits high with the aid of a fine Pep Club.

#### BASEBALL

During the baseball training season, the Board of Education named Coach Elias Shapiro as Vice-Principal. The vacant coaching position was quickly filled by Al Shapiro, his brother. Games have been scheduled with Bloomfield, Berlin, Bacon Academy, Canton, East Hampton, Portland and Suffield.

### WHO'S WHO

Rod Greene	most athletic	Margaret Driscoll
James Lownds	most quiet	Gloria Becker
Art Dobosz	class dreamers	Patricia Silk
Thomas Szepanski	most co-operative	Nancy Fuller
Louis Rossi	most happy-go-lucky	Joan Casinghino
Rena Piaggi	most mischievous	Thomas Johnson
Robert English	most serious	Margaret Carniglia
Jane Downes	most talkative	Ann Kennedy
Ronnie Pomeroy	most in love	Ann Raccone
Peter Carniglia	most ambitious	Joan Walters
Paul Lodola	most reserved	Doris Lanati
Wesson Sargent	most businesslike	Barbara Zitka
Arthur Christian	most studious	Margaret Mayoras
Danny Colone	most cheerful	Maralyn Ciparelli
Edward Young	class dressers	Gertrude Bednarz
Chester Grabiec	most tardy	Gloria Crane
Theresa Courtney	most encouraging	Joan English
William Cuilewicz	most attentive	Seth Sharp
Robert Salvato	class readers	Jean Samplatsky
Ruth Viatukaitis	class gigglers	Mary Ulitsch

### CHARACTERISTICS

NAME	LIKES	DISLIKES	AMBITIONS
Gloria Becker Gertrude Bednarz Margaret Carniglia Peter Carniglia Joan Casinghino Arthur Christian William Cuilewicz Maralyn Ciparelli Daniel Colone Theresa Courtney Gloria Crane Arthur Dobosz Jane Ann Downes Margaret Driscoll Joan English Robert English Nancy Fuller Chester Grabiec Rod Greene Thomas Johnson Ann Kennedy	Television Whiton Street Cokes To Do Errands Jokes Suffield Howdy-Doody To Laugh Fords Gym Excuses Trouble Cars Fun Sailors Sweaters Science Mischief Hi-Life Sleep Legs Drivers' Training Basketball	Teasing An Empty Mailbox The Army The Draft Board Doctors Physics Cafeterias Old Maids Bent Fenders Dancing School Levies Stories Cats Curiosity Girls Quietness Pointed Collars Forwardness Knee Socks Monday Morning	Secretary Happiness A Wedding Band The Navy Gym Instructor To Graduate ? ? ? ? ? Joint Bank Account To Live It Up Pink Telephones Just Plain Fun The Service To Stay In Nursing School Air Force Unlimited The Waves Explore The Moon First Woman President What Ambitions? Idleness Foot Loose And Fancy Free A Driver's License
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# Graduation Night Program

THE NEED OF ENGINEERS TODAY

Members of the Board of Education, Teachers, Parents, and Friends: On behalf of the Class of 1955, I wish to welcome you to our commencement exercises. Also on behalf of the Class, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for your providing in this town of Windsor Locks, a modern grammar and high school system. We are just completing that twelve-year course and would like to thank you for making it available to us.

Upon completion of this last year of high school, the Class will scatter and its members will go their respective ways; some to college or other institutions of higher learning; some to business; and others into the service of our country. Unfortunately, only a few out of this class of forty are planning to further their formal education. These few will stand up better in competition for positions because modern industry calls for personnel capable of handling complex machines and various other difficult assignments. Only people with such an education can stand up under these conditions. As a basis for my proof I use the following example. In our recent "Career Day" exercises, a question was directed to one of the speakers who was the personnel director in one of the local industries. The question was this: Exactly how much chance does an unskilled laborer or a person who has not had any schooling above high school have in industry today? His reply was that in today's complex, scientific world, the person with advanced schooling has a distinct advantage over one without such schooling. In fact, in many industries, there are very few openings for anyone who is unskilled or unschooled in some particular line.

In this day and age, engineering offers the greatest opportunities for advancement, high pay, security and diversification. Statistics show that the greatest per cent of industrial executives were, at one time, trained to be engineers. The demand is becoming greater for engineers of all kinds. This country's engineering schools and colleges are producing 17,000 engineers every year, but industry demands 30,000 per year. The resulting deficiency creates situations where-by industries go to colleges and schools to enlist the services of prospective engineers in their senior year instead of waiting for

the engineers to come to them.

In the recent observance of Engineering Week, radio and television stations aided the various national engineering societies in urging high school students to pursue a career in engineering. They argued that in order to maintain the future defense of

our country, many more engineers are needed.

For our class motto, we have selected the phrase "Forward ever; backward never." This phrase is also applicable to the nation and if the United States is to live up to it, it must have more engineers to keep industry at its high standard. It is this high standard of industry which permits us to hold the top billing of the countries of the world today.

Therefore, underclassmen, if you are interested in the engineering field and do well in mathematics and science, it would be wise for you to consult with your guidance director for help in organizing a curriculum which will best prepare you for a college education in the field of engineering. A decision to pursue a profession in engineering will benefit not only you but your country as well.

WESSON SARGENT, Salutatorian '55

#### THE PROGRESS OF MEDICINE

In this extraordinary age of ours, the twentieth century, man's life span has lengthened, since medicine has progressed rapidly through the scientific discovery of new drugs, better methods of surgery, and also the organizing of numerous foundations by public subscription to help prevent and fight the dread diseases; namely, polio, heart disease, cancer, tuberculosis, and many rare blood diseases.

Today as the medical profession has progressed through study and research, better methods of diagnosing diseases and newer remedies to cure these diseases have been discovered. States and local communities have organized boards of health, and a new era of health consciousness has opened up. Sewage regulations are enforced in cities and towns. Milk supplies are regulated to prevent the sale of contaminated products and those who contract a contagious disease are isolated to protect others.

A century ago, epidemics of small pox, yellow fever and influenza were all too common and caused many deaths. For example, when inoculation against small pox started it met great opposition. Today cases of small pox are rare, and people generally accept vaccination as an aid in its prevention. Although new drugs are being discovered to combat the many diseases of this period, there are always those dreaded diseases which at one time or another are incurable.

Cancer, the second leading cause of death in the United States, has shown notable advancement in the field of research the past few years. Studies indicate that cancer is not a single disease but a large family of diseases, making it probable that no single cure will be found for all cancer; but that different types will respond best to various treatments.

In the last few years drugs have been discovered for the cure of tuberculosis which at one time was considered incurable. Furthermore, many methods are used to prevent or arrest tuberculosis among those who have a tendency for it.

Our most recent triumph over disease is the Salk polio vaccine found about ninety to one hundred per cent effective. We hope that the Salk vaccine will soon help to decrease the number of polio cases.

In this century the average span of life in the United States has increased almost thirty years. Intelligent Americans, supporting doctors and health authorities are responsible for this increase. With the increase of the span of life, however, social and economic problems are introduced, such as retirement plans and old age pensions. Statistics show a century ago that this sort of thing was not necessary, as the average person lived only to forty years of age.

And so, with this continued progress in the field of medicine comes the need for more men in white and more angels of mercy, for without their untiring efforts this new world of progress will not be ours. Thus, fellow students, think seiously of entering the medical or nursing professions and devote yourself to the service of aiding mankind.

#### THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF YOUTH

Tonight you are witnessing the graduation of the Class of 1955 from Windsor Locks High School. Yet, in reality, you are not only watching forty students, but millions of young people the world over assuming the responsibilities of life in this, the Atomic Age.

We, the young people of America, are extremely fortunate; for we have been born in a land of democracy, a land which was built by the love, hope, and toil of our ancestors. We can sit back and happily enjoy all that has been left for us! But, shall we or can we when so much of the world is in anguish and depending upon us for help and guidance? America is just an example of what we hope the entire world is to become one day. I am sure that at a future time, every soul living will know the peace of mind which we so take for granted. Yes, there is much to be done today. But who is to do it?

It has been the youth who, in the ages past, have risen to face the force which has threatened their peace and ideals. Youth in its bloom, is an extremely effective weapon! Why? Because it has yet to face the defeat, despair and need for security that comes with years.

In our age, there is an overwhelming power, known as the atom, which can, if ignorantly used, destroy all for which our forefathers so earnestly strove! In a brief time, an entire civilization could be extinguished, a civilization which has existed since time began. But if the hands of freedom-loving, God-fearing men develop this power, it can bring to the earth unbelievable miracles. It can ease the sufferings of men the world over,, and that is our responsibility.

There are countries on this earth in which the individual man is treated as a senseless, unfeeling creature, whose only purpose is to labor for the state. He is told that everything he receives besides food and shelter is a luxury. Until this is ended, until every man on this earth is an individual in his own right, the youth of the world will not rest. We hope that our lives will be filled with peace and happiness. We hope that we are successful in whatever career we undertake — whether it be the important position of The President of The United States or the job of a factory worker.

We also pray that God will give us strength, courage, and wisdom. For if it is necessary to preserve the ideals of free men, if it is necessary to fight for goodness and justice, we the youth of today will rise as one and stand together for our beliefs.

At the present time, we are gay, happy, and free individuals, without cares in the world. That is and always has been characteristic of youth. But as Ralph Waldo Emerson once wrote,

"When Duty whispers low, Thou Must, The youth replies, I Can."

#### SUCCESS - FAME, POWER OR ACHIEVEMENT?

Success has many interpretations and each person should decide which meaning it has for him. For Napoleon, success meant vast military and political powers; for many others it has meant and still means the accumulation of money and wealth. For thousands of people, both in the past and today, success means the results of creative effort, achievement or recognition. For others, success means being wide-awake citizens and efficient workers striving toward the attainment of their own dreams and ambitions.

If success is merely the acquiring of money, fame or power, then the struggle is not worth the gain, because after these are achieved, there is no real and lasting satisfaction.

There are, of course, certain standards which everyone must meet if he is to be looked upon as a respected and worthwhile citizen of the community. And, unless these standards, such as honesty, morality, and respect for law and authority, are met, he will not be called a success in any sense of the word. Just as there are certain standards of success, there are certain qualities or traits, such as integrity, initiative and industry, which seem essential for almost any kind of success.

A number of years ago the words, success and money, were almost synonymous. Today, there is a distinct difference in their meanings. Money in a sense still assures power, but it does not always mean success. True, most of our time is spent in the earning of a living and the accumulating of financial reserves, but this is not the only important factor in a successful career. Other forms of accomplishment, achievement and service are also worth consideration.

If, a person has spent the greater part of his life accumulating money, power or fame, only to find these things empty and meaningless, he cannot call his efforts a success. On the other hand, if a person starts out with the objective of earning enough money by working at some honest endeavor to take care of personal and family needs, of leading a normal, well-balanced life, of getting from leisure time satisfying pleasures and joys, of seeing his children grow into fine American citizens, and if he attains these objectives for the most part, he can be called a success, and he can consider himself a good American citizen striving to keep America a success.

Now, in bidding farewell, classmates, I wish you all the success and rewards that life can offer in the years to come.

FAREWELL SONG OF THE CLASS OF 1955

Melody: "Morning Glory"

Words by Gertrude Bernarz

1.

We, the class of '55
Join in bidding you good-bye
Through the years we've had such
Pleasant memories together.
Parting is so near
From our friends so dear.
Thanks to all who helped us
Through all of our school years!

2.

In the future years
Memories so dear
Will live on forever,
Thoughts of glad years together.
Now we're leaving school
With the hope that you will not forget us.
We, the class of '55,
Bid you all our fond good-bye.



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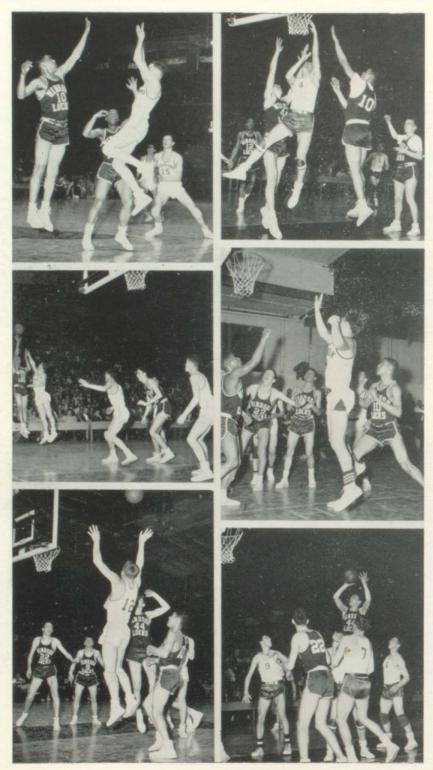
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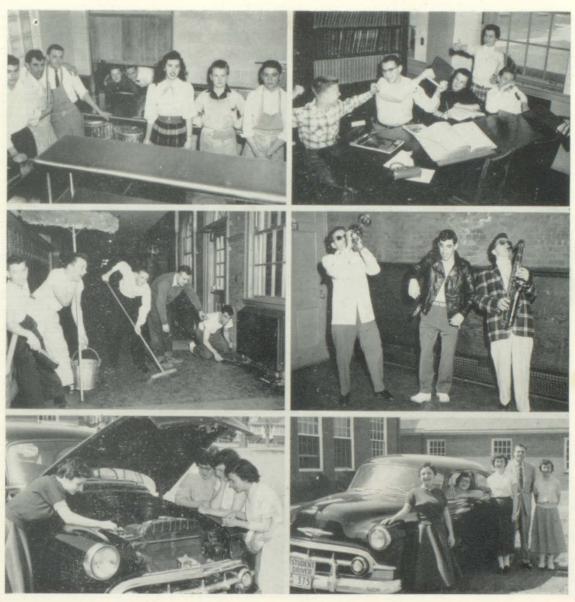
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